



# NEWSLETTER

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Join us at Rochambeau for our Holiday Membership Meeting. Bring your favorite appetizer or dessert and enjoy an afternoon of fellowship and history. Entertainment provided by Raymond Baird who will be portraying Patrick Henry as he mingles with members.

## HOLIDAY MEMBERSHIP MEETING at ROCHAMBEAU

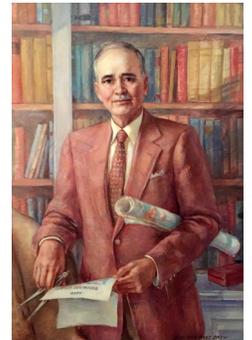


**RAYMOND BAIRD** is a lifetime resident of the Richmond area and has a passion for American History, especially the

history of Richmond. After retiring from Verizon in 2002, Raymond became active in Civil War reenactments, appeared in the film "Gods & Generals", and eventually started his own tour company "Richmond Revealed". After joining the team at Historic St. John's Church, Raymond discovered a new passion: Patrick Henry and the Revolutionary War. When not at St. John's, Raymond can be found exploring graveyards in Southwest Virginia as he searches for Patrick Henry's family. \*

**ROCHAMBEAU** stands on land that was patented by John Woodson in 1703 and originally consisted of 2,700 acres on the north side of the James River beginning at the mouth of Genito Creek. He was a third generation Woodson in America. The property changed hands many times until William A. Deitrick, Sr. acquired the land in two deeds, between 1831 and 1840. His son, William A. Deitrick, Jr., lived on the land and between 1855 and 1860, he built the home that is still standing. The land remained in the Deitrick family until 1912 when it was sold to Dr. Ira Haynes. Two years later, in 1914, Professor Raymond Weeks and his wife, Mary purchased the property. Their son Elie Weeks inherited the home at their deaths. The home is still in the Weeks family and is currently owned by Susan Weeks. \*

**ELIE WEEKS** was one of the founding members of the Goochland County Historical Society (GCHS). Mr. Weeks, Margaret Henley, Helene Barrett Agee, Joseph H. Scales, Leita Briesmaster, and William F. Bremner met on



March 25, 1968 where the seeds of GCHS were sown. He served in various roles at GCHS for more than eighteen years before his death in 1984. Perhaps his biggest contribution to GCHS is the publication of twenty-two issues of the Magazine that were done under his editorship. These magazines remain an important record and document of Goochland County's past. \*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## AMAZONSMILE PURCHASES WILL BENEFIT the SOCIETY



Do your holiday shopping  
at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)



Did you know your purchases can make a difference? AmazonSmile donates to Goochland County Historical Society when you do your holiday shopping at [smile.amazon.com/ch/54-6074541](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/54-6074541). AmazonSmile is supporting many charitable organizations this holiday season. When you do your shopping through the above link, Amazon.com will donate a small percentage of the price of each eligible purchase. This is a simple and automatic way to support charitable organizations at no cost to the customer. Prices and selections are the same as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase price to the Goochland County Historical Society. Shoppers are encouraged to visit AmazonSmiles on Black Friday (Nov. 23) and Cyber Monday (Nov. 26).

## OPEN HOUSE and SNOWFLAKE SALE

November 30 and December 1st from 11am to 3pm

Join us for some holiday cheer.



Sir Archie Puzzle (\$12)

Sir Archie Bag (\$10)

Save \$2 and get them both for \$20



Goochland clocks—an excellent gift at \$30.00 each.



Goochland History T-Shirt  
Sale price \$10.00.



Our 2019 Vintage Calendar featuring historic houses, vintage cars and favorite pets —\$10.00 each.



Bring a little piece of Goochland home. Get your own Tanglewood Ordinary for just \$15.00.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

James Payne Beckwith • Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Carter • James and Anne Hardwick • Gerald Hicks  
Mark Merhige • Ellen and Josh Pons • Ron and Nancy Sopher • Robert Sullivan • Stuart Trice

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## TIME to RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP for 2019



Memberships expire at the end of the calendar year. We value your continuing support and look forward to you remaining a members. If you have not already done so, renew for the 2019 year by sending your check to PO Box 602, Goochland, VA 23063.

You can renew online at our website using Paypal. Paypal accepts most credit cards and you don't need a Paypal account in order to pay your membership dues.

Also, give the gift of Goochland history – a membership to the Goochland County Historical Society. ✨

## FUTURE PUBLICATION of the SOCIETY'S CALENDAR DEPENDS on SHARING of VINTAGE PHOTOGRAPHS

The Goochland County Historical Society is requesting loans and donations of vintage photographs featuring Goochland County people & places for future publications of our *Vintage Goochland Calendar*.

Continued production of the calendar is dependent upon having sufficient quantities of high quality vintage photographs. By sharing your vintage photographs you will help the Society document Goochland's heritage.

We need your support. Please contact the Society at (804) 556-3966 if you have vintage Goochland photographs. You may donate your photos or loan them to the Society long enough for us to make digital copies. Calendar sales are the Society's primary fundraising resource and support our daily operation. ✨



PHOTOGRAPH DONATED BY LOUISE CHAPMAN

## If you are not looking at us online, you are missing half of the story!

The magazine and the newsletters don't tell the whole story of what we do at the Goochland County Historical Society. There are photographs to share and many articles that are not long enough for printed publication. These find their home on our website presence. Online you will discover information on future and past meetings, photographs of Goochland people and places, stories behind our artifacts, and much more! Don't miss out our website with links to our Facebook, twitter, YouTube, and our Wordpress blog. ✨

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**WORLD WAR I SOLDIERS IN OUR GALLERY**

**The Goochland County Historical Society**

Founded in 1968, the Goochland County Historical Society is a 501(c)(3), non-profit, tax exempt educational organization created and operated for the presentation, preservation and protection of Goochland County heritage and tradition. To fulfill its mission, the Society has collected manuscripts, artifacts, genealogical, and architectural information pertaining to Goochland and Virginia. These resources, some of them rare and unique, are made available to the public at the Society's historical center.

**Visit the Goochland Historical Society**

The Society's History Center is located one half mile east of the Goochland Courthouse at 2875 River Road West (Route 6)

**Office hours:**

Wednesday–Friday, 10:00 am –3:00 pm

2nd Saturday of the month, 10:00 am –3:00 pm

Note: Those travelling long distances should call the society to confirm it will be open that day at (804) 556-3966.

Email the Society:

goochlandhistory@comcast.net

**Visit us online:**

www.goochlandhistory.org

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**TIME to RENEW!**



**MEMBERSHIPS RUN**

**JANUARY 1st THROUGH DECEMBER 31st**



**Goochland County Historical Society**

**James Richmond, Executive Director**

**Catherine Southworth, Office Administrator**

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**Directions to Rochambeau**

1080 Manakin Road

Manakin-Sabot, VA 23103

**From Route 6 East**

Travel West on Rt. 6 (Patterson Avenue).

Pass Richmond Country Club on right.

Pass Manakin Fire Station on right.

Turn right on Rt. 621 Manakin Road.

Go about 2 and half miles.

Turn into driveway on the left.

Look for the Society signs.

**From I64 West**

Take the Rockville-Manakin exit (Exit 173)

Go left at light onto Route 623 (Ashland Road)

**From I64 East**

Go left at right onto Route 623 (Ashland Road)

**All**

Go 1 mile to dead end at Rt 250 (Broad Street Road).

Turn Right onto Route 250.

Go 1/2 mile and turn left onto Route 621 (Manakin Road).

Go about 4 miles and turn right into driveway. Look for Society signs.